

a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 166, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 165.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.

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Joint Economic Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Hinchey, Maloney, Loretta Sanchez, and Cummings.

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Speaker Pro Tempore Designation: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representatives Lewis (CA), Thornberry, Upton, Harris, and Wolf to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1623.

Senate Referral: S. 23 was held at the desk.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1666–68.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1640, H1641, H1641–42. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Committee Meetings

REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee, held a mark-up on H.R. 872, The Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act of 2011, and adopted an amendment in the nature of a substitute. The committee ordered the bill reported, as amended, favorably.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Park Service FY 2012 Budget Oversight. Testimony was heard from the following National Park Service officials: Jonathan Jarvis, Director; C. Bruce Sheaffer, Comptroller; and Margaret O'Dell, Deputy Director of Operations, National Park Service.

DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on FY 2012 Navy/Marine Corps Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from Raymond Mabus, Secretary of the Navy; ADM Gary Roughead, Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. James Amos, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Army Corps of Engineers FY 2012 Budget Requests. Testimony was heard from Jo Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; and Lt. Gen. Robert Van Antwerp, Chief of Engineers.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on FY 2012 Oversight and Budget Department of Homeland Security. Testimony was heard from Alan Bersin, Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Oversight of Veterans Programs. Testimony was heard from Richard Griffin, Deputy Inspector General, Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General.

STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs held a hearing on FY 2012 Budget Request for the Department of the Treasury International Programs. Testimony was heard from Timothy Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

ARMY MODERNIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Army modernization. Testimony was heard from GEN Peter W. Chiarelli, Vice Chief of Staff, USA; LTG Robert P. Lennox, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army; LTG General William N. Phillips, USA, Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology); J. Michael Gilmore, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Michael J. Sullivan, Director of Acquisition and Sourcing, GAO; and William Graveline, Assistant Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team, GAO.

NAVY SHIPBUILDING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing on Navy shipbuilding acquisition programs and budget requirements of the Navy's shipbuilding and construction plan. Testimony was heard from Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in National Defense, Congressional Research Service; Eric J. Labs, Senior Analyst for Naval Forces and Weapons, CBO; Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; VADM John T. Blake, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources; Lt. Gen. George J. Flynn, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command.

BUDGET—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing on the Budget and Policy Proposals of the U.S. Department of Education. Testimony was heard from Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing on H.J. Res. 37, Disapproving the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to regulating the Internet and broadband industry practices. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

The subcommittee held a mark-up of the bill immediately after the hearing and forwarded the bill to the full Committee without amendment.

HEALTH CARE FUNDING

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health hearing entitled "Setting Fiscal Priorities in Health Care Funding." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee, continued mark-up of the following: H.R. 839, the HAMP Termination Act of 2011 and H.R. 861, the NSP Termination Act. Both bills were ordered reported as amended.

CHINA'S TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing on China's Indigenous Innovation Trade and Investment Policies: How Great a Threat? Testimony was heard from Karen Laney, Acting Director, International Trade Commission and public witnesses.

FY 2012 BUDGET—FEMA

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications held a hearing entitled "Ensuring Effective Preparedness and Response—An Assessment of the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Request for the Federal Emergency Management Agency." Testimony was heard from W. Criag Fugate, Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security.

SECURING AIR COMMERCE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled "Securing Air Commerce From the Threat of Terrorism." Testimony was heard from John Sammon, Assistant Administrator, Transportation Sector Network Management, TSA; and Stephen Lord, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, GAO.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee, held a mark-up on H.J. Res. 147, providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Twelfth Congress, was reported favorably. The Committee also approved the following Committee resolutions: Approve Franked Mail Allowances for Committees for the 112th Congress; Approve Committee Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2012; and Approve a Committee Consulting Contract.

AMERICAN INNOVATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing on Driving American Innovation: Creating Jobs and Boosting our Economy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PATRIOT ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on the Reauthorization of the PATRIOT Act. Testimony was heard from Todd Hinnen, Acting Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, Department of Justice; Robert S. Litt, General Counsel, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; and public witnesses.

FY 2012 BUDGET—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing to "Examine the Spending Priorities and the Missions of the U.S. Geological Survey and the President's FY 2012 Budget Proposal." Testimony was heard from Marcia McNutt, Director, Geological Survey; and public witnesses.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management held a hearing entitled “A Look at the FY10 Consolidated Financial Report of the U.S. Government.” Testimony was heard from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General, GAO; Richard L. Gregg, Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; and Daniel I. Werfel, Controller and Director, Office of Federal Financial Management, OMB.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON MANUFACTURERS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Cumulative Impact of Regulation on U.S. Manufacturers.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL WORKER PAY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy held a hearing entitled “Are Federal Workers Underpaid?” Testimony was heard from John Berry, Director, OPM; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
MARCH 10, 2011**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Justice, 11 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings to examine the current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States; with the possibility of a

closed session in SH-219 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for defense and international affairs, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Philip E. Coyle, III, of California, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, Kathryn D. Sullivan, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Frances M.D. Gulland, of California, to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission, and Ann D. Begeman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to examine S. 398, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to improve energy efficiency of certain appliances and equipment, and S. 395, to repeal certain amendments to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to lighting energy efficiency, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings to examine innovations in child welfare waivers, focusing on a pathway to reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, to hold hearings to examine Bridgepoint Education, Inc., focusing on a case study in for-profit education and oversight, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carolyn N. Lerner, of Maryland, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine information sharing in the era of WikiLeaks, focusing on balancing security and collaboration, 3 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting to consider S. 193, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, S. 222, to limit investor and homeowner losses in foreclosures, and the nominations of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.